



US Army Corps  
of Engineers  
Alaska District

# Public Notice of Application for Permit

Regulatory Branch  
CEPOA-CO-R  
Post Office Box 6898  
Elmendorf AFB, Alaska 99506-0898

**PUBLIC NOTICE DATE:** May 5, 2006  
**EXPIRATION DATE:** June 5, 2006  
**REFERENCE NUMBER:** POA-1999-1368-M  
**WATERWAY:** Tongass Narrows

Interested parties are hereby notified that an application has been received for a Department of the Army permit for certain work in waters of the United States as described below and shown on the attached plan.

**APPLICANT:** Mr. Geord Kleinschmidt, Post Office Box 1300, Ward Cove, Alaska 99928.

**AGENT:** Mr. James Peters, Post Office Box 5632, Ketchikan, Alaska 99901;  
(907) 225-3937.

**LOCATION:** The project site is located within section 30, T. 75 S., R. 91 E., Copper River Meridian; Latitude 55.3334° N., Longitude 131.6435° W.; Lots 26, 27, 28 and 29 on Pennock Island; near Ketchikan, Alaska.

**PURPOSE:** To replace a deteriorating and hazardous dock and provide handicapped access to the property.

**WORK:** The applicant proposes to replace an existing float access trails on Lots 26, 27, 28 and 29:

1. The new "T-shaped" float would measure 10-foot wide by 240-foot long with a 12-foot wide by 60-foot long section. The float would be held in place with seven (7) 10-inch diameter driven steel piles and would connect to a 10-foot by 10-foot concrete pad at the shore.
2. The float would be protected from wave action by two (2) 80-foot long boomsticks, held in place by three (3) concrete anchors.
3. Approximately 50 cubic yards of fill material would be placed water-ward of the deck expansion in approximately 1,000 square feet of shoreline to provide a level surface for access to the residence.
4. Approximately 343 cubic yards of shot rock fill over filter fabric material would be placed to construct 925 linear feet of 10-wide trails.
5. Retain two existing 4-inch diameter sewer outfall lines which were placed by the previous property owner. The lines are buried in approximately 1-foot deep trenches which were backfilled using the excavated material.

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:** The applicant proposed to place four (4) 10-inch diameter steel piles set on concrete pads to support an expansion of the existing deck; however, this portion of the work does not fall within the Corps jurisdiction. The

floating dock that is to be replaced was previously authorized by DA permit number 2-991368, Tongass Narrows.

WATER QUALITY CERTIFICATION: A permit for the described work will not be issued until a certification or waiver of certification as required under Section 401 of the Clean Water Act (Public Law 95-217), has been received from the Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation.

COASTAL ZONE MANAGEMENT ACT CERTIFICATION: Section 307(c)(3) of the Coastal Zone, Management Act of 1972, as amended by 16 U.S.C. 1456(c)(3), requires the applicant to certify that the described activity affecting land or water uses in the Coastal Zone complies with the Alaska Coastal Management Program. A permit will not be issued until the Office of Project Management and Permitting, Department of Natural Resources has concurred with the applicant's certification.

PUBLIC HEARING: Any person may request, in writing, within the comment period specified in this notice, that a public hearing be held to consider this application. Requests for public hearings shall state, with particularity, reasons for holding a public hearing.

CULTURAL RESOURCES: The latest published version of the Alaska Heritage Resources Survey (AHRs) has been consulted for the presence or absence of historic properties, including those listed in or eligible for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places. There are no listed or eligible properties in the vicinity of the worksite. Consultation of the AHRs constitutes the extent of cultural resource investigations by the District Engineer at this time, and he is otherwise unaware of the presence of such resources. This application is being coordinated with the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO). Any comments SHPO may have concerning presently unknown archeological or historic data that may be lost or destroyed by work under the requested permit will be considered in our final assessment of the described work.

TRIBAL CONSULTATION: The Alaska District fully supports tribal self-governance and government-to-government relations between the Federal government and Federally recognized Tribes. This notice invites participation by agencies, Tribes, and members of the public in the Federal decision-making process. In addition, Tribes with protected rights or resources that could be significantly affected by a proposed Federal action (e.g., a permit decision) have the right to consult with the Alaska District on a government-to-government basis. Views of each Tribe regarding protected rights and resources will be accorded due consideration in this process. This Public Notice serves as notification to the Tribes within the area potentially affected by the proposed work and invites their participation in the Federal decision-making process regarding the protected Tribal right or resource. Consultation may be initiated by the affected Tribe upon written request to the District Engineer during the public comment period.

ENDANGERED SPECIES: The project area is within the known or historic range of the Humpback Whale (*Megaptera novaeangliae*) and the Stellar Sea Lion (*Eumetopias jubatus*), listed as endangered and threatened species under the Endangered Species Act (ESA), respectively. Preliminarily, the described activity will not affect threatened or endangered species, or their critical habitat designated as endangered or threatened, under the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (87 Stat. 844). This application is being coordinated with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and the National Marine Fisheries Service. Any comments they may have concerning endangered or threatened wildlife or plants or their critical habitat will be considered in our final assessment of the described work.

ESSENTIAL FISH HABITAT: The proposed work is being evaluated for possible effects to Essential Fish Habitat (EFH) pursuant to the Magnuson Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act of 1996 (MSFCMA), 16 U.S.C. et seq and associated federal regulations found at 50 CFR 600 Subpart K. The Alaska District includes areas of EFH as Fishery Management Plans. We have reviewed the January 20, 1999, North Pacific Fishery Management Council's Environmental Assessment to locate EFH area as

identified by the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS). We have determined that the described activity within the proposed area will not adversely affect EFH, including anadromous fish and federally managed fishery resources.

SPECIAL AREA DESIGNATION: None.

EVALUATION: The decision whether to issue a permit will be based on an evaluation of the probable impacts including cumulative impacts of the proposed activity and its intended use on the public interest. Evaluation of the probable impacts, which the proposed activity may have on the public interest, requires a careful weighing of all the factors that become relevant in each particular case. The benefits, which reasonably may be expected to accrue from the proposal, must be balanced against its reasonably foreseeable detriments. The decision whether to authorize a proposal, and if so, the conditions under which it will be allowed to occur, are therefore determined by the outcome of the general balancing process. That decision should reflect the national concern for both protection and utilization of important resources. All factors, which may be relevant to the proposal, must be considered including the cumulative effects thereof. Among those are conservation, economics, aesthetics, general environmental concerns, wetlands, cultural values, fish and wildlife values, flood hazards, floodplain values, land use, navigation, shore erosion and accretion, recreation, water supply and conservation, water quality, energy needs, safety, food and fiber production, mineral needs, considerations of property ownership, and, in general, the needs and welfare of the people. For activities involving 404 discharges, a permit will be denied if the discharge that would be authorized by such permit would not comply with the Environmental Protection Agency's 404(b)(1) guidelines. Subject to the preceding sentence and any other applicable guidelines or criteria (see Sections 320.2 and 320.3), a permit will be granted unless the District Engineer determines that it would be contrary to the public interest.

The Corps of Engineers is soliciting comments from the public; Federal, State, and local agencies and officials; Indian Tribes; and other interested parties in order to consider and evaluate the impacts of this proposed activity. Any comments received will be considered by the Corps of Engineers to determine whether to issue, modify, condition or deny a permit for this proposal. To make this decision, comments are used to assess impacts on endangered species, historic properties, water quality, general environmental effects, and the other public interest factors listed above. Comments are used in the preparation of an Environmental Assessment and/or an Environmental Impact Statement pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act. Comments are also used to determine the need for a public hearing and to determine the overall public interest of the proposed activity.

Comments on the described work, with the reference number, should reach this office no later than the expiration date of this Public Notice to become part of the record and be considered in the decision. If further information is desired concerning this notice, please contact Serena Sweet at (907) 753-2712, toll free from within Alaska at (800) 478-2712, or by email at serena.e.sweet@poa02.usace.army.mil.

AUTHORITY: This permit will be issued or denied under the following authorities:

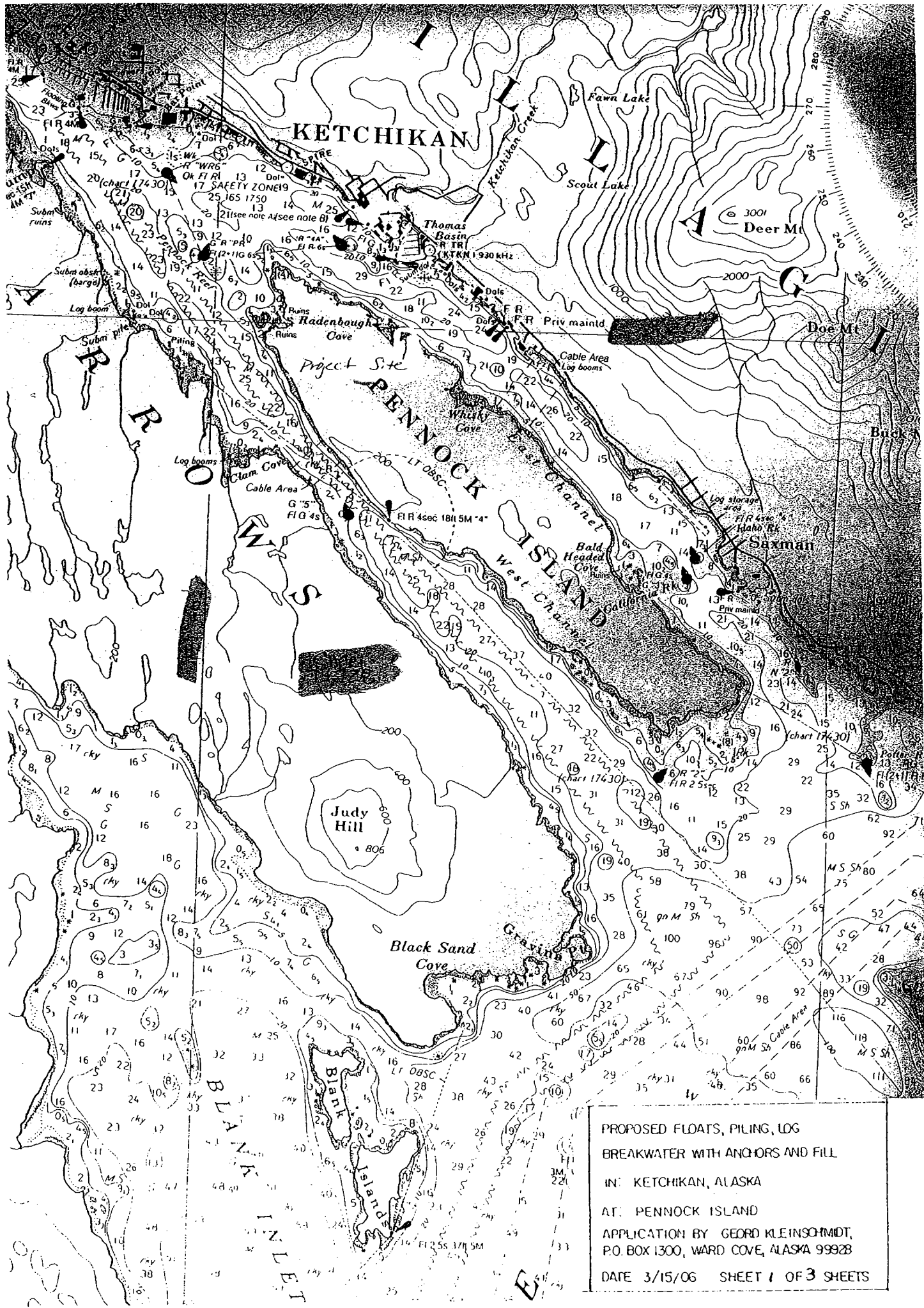
(X) Perform work in or affecting navigable waters of the United States - Section 10 Rivers and Harbors Act 1899 (33 U.S.C. 403).

(X) Discharge dredged or fill material into waters of the United States - Section 404 Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. 1344). Therefore, our public interest review will consider the guidelines set forth under Section 404(b) of the Clean Water Act (40 CFR 230).

A plan, Notice of Application for Certification of Consistency with the Alaska Coastal Management Program, and Notice of Application for State Water Quality Certification are attached to this Public Notice.

District Engineer  
U.S. Army, Corps of Engineers

Attachments



PROPOSED FLOATS, PILING, LOG  
BREAKWATER WITH ANCHORS AND FILL  
IN: KETCHIKAN, ALASKA  
AT: PENNOCK ISLAND  
APPLICATION BY: GEORGE KLEINSCHMIDT,  
P.O. BOX 1300, WARD COVE, ALASKA 99928  
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TRACT B  
U.S.S. 2194

TRACT A  
U.S.S. 2194  
③

LOT 2

LOT 1  
①

10' Utility Easement

Future 40'x50'  
Building Site  
on Piling

LOT 29  
Owner: Applicant

LOT 28  
Owner: Applicant

U.S.S. 2991

Water

LOT 30  
②

10' Trail &

10' Trail &

10'x10' Conc. Pad

LOT 27  
Owner: Applicant

Future 25'x30' Building Site on Piling

UNSUBDIVIDED REMAINDER  
U.S.S. 1407  
④

H.T.L. 19.4'

Record/Field M.H.W.  
165' Ex. 6'-8'  
log floats  
80 (to be  
replaced)

L.L.W. 0.00'

Conc. Anchor  
80' Boom Stick  
Conc. Anchor  
with Boom Chain/  
Galv. Cable

9.9

2.6

-1.1

10'x240' Float

4" Sewer Outfall

16.8

12' Float

10" Galv. Piling (Typical)

-11.6

40'

60'

4

Conc. Anchor

11.6

4.6

19.4

11.0

16.1

10.4

8.0

1.2

4.3

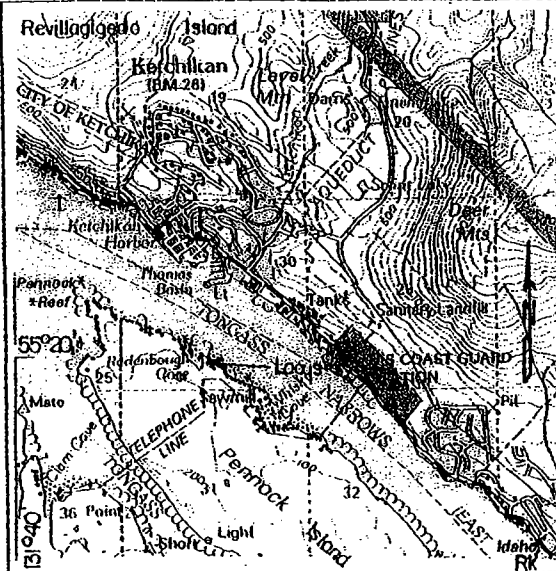
1.1

5.4 Island (Rock)

M.L.L.W. 0.00'

TONGASS NARROWS

Flood  
Ebb



Source: Ketchikan B-5, AK, 1994  
Scale: 1" = 1 Mile

#### NOTES:

- Finished Conc. Pad Elev. = 21.0
- 11- 10" Galv. Piling - Total
- 7- 10" Galv. Piling driven or refusal
- 1- 10'x10' Conc. Pad
- 6- 10'x40' Float Sections
- 3- 12'x20' Float Sections
- 2- 80' Boom Sticks
- 3- 2.5'x2.5'x5' Conc. Anchors
- 4- 10' Galv. Piling set on conc. pads for newdeck
- 50 C.Y. rock barged in from Ketchikan pit to level 1000 sq. ft. of beach up in front of new deck for handicapped access.
- 10' Wide Trails - 925 L.F. = 343 C.Y. rock barged in for 1.0' Pad. See Trail Detail on Sheet 2.

❧ Crosshatched area is future addition  
No Harbor Lines Established  
High Tide Line = 19.4'  
Mean Higher High Tide = 15.4'  
Mean High Tide = 14.5'  
Mean Low Low Tide = 0.0'  
All Elevations Based on M.L.L.W. = 0.0'  
Reference Army Permit 2-991368,  
Tongass Narrows 521, 3/24/00

#### ADJACENT PROPERTY OWNERS:

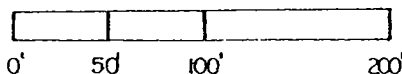
Carolyn & Gene Higgins, Rt. 109, Digby Road,  
Barnon, WA. 98273

Mental Health, 718 'L' Street, Suite 202,  
Ak 99501

Geord Kleinschmidt, P.O. Box 1300, Ward Cove,  
Ak. 99928

B. Mortensen Family Trust, James W. Mortensen/  
Trustee, 3646 N.W. Falcon Rd., Bend, Oregon 97701

#### PLAN VIEW



SCALE: 1" = 100'

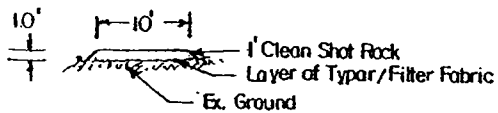
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Top of Conc. Pad Elev. 21.0'

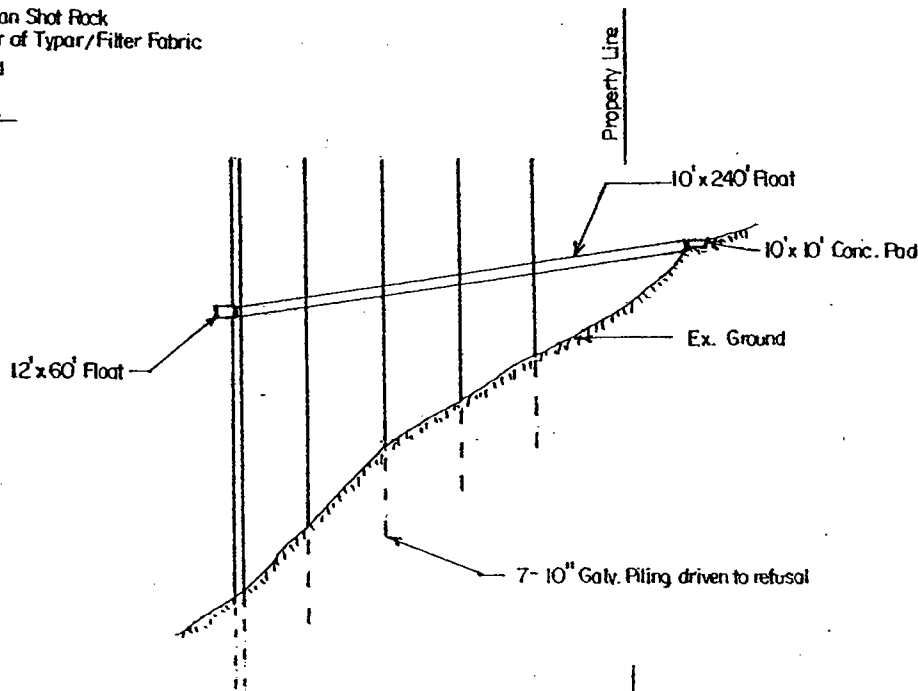
H.T.L. 19.4'

M.H.W. 14.5'

M.L.L.W. 0.0'

Elev. -10.0'

Elev. -20.0'



Top of New Deck 22.5'

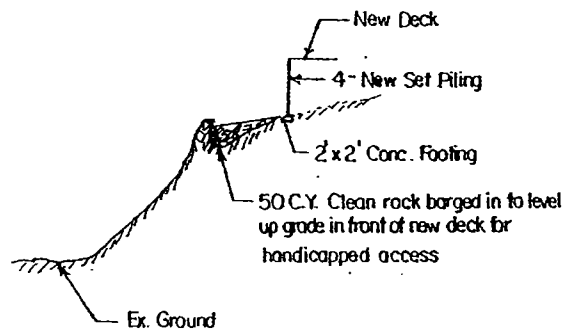
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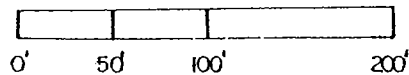
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**DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES  
OFFICE OF PROJECT MANAGEMENT AND PERMITTING**

OFFICE OF PROJECT MANAGEMENT AND PERMITTING  
302 GOLD STREET, SUITE 202  
JUNEAU, ALASKA 99801-1127  
PHONE: (907) 465-3562/FAX: (907) 465-3075

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION  
FOR  
CERTIFICATION OF CONSISTENCY WITH THE  
ALASKA COASTAL MANAGEMENT PROGRAM**

Notice is hereby given that a request is being filed with the Office of Project Management and Permitting for a consistency determination, as provided in Section 307(c)(3) of the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972, as amended [16 U.S.C. 1456(c)(3)], that the project described in the Corps of Engineers Public Notice No. POA-1999-1368-M, Tongass Narrows, will comply with the Alaska Coastal Management Program and that the project will be conducted in a manner consistent with that program.

This project is being reviewed for consistency with the Alaska Coastal Management Program. Written comments about the consistency of the project with the applicable ACMP statewide standards and district policies must be submitted to the Office of Project Management and Permitting. For information about this consistency review, contact OPMP at (907) 269-7470 or (907) 465-3562, or visit the ACMP web site at <http://www.gov.state.ak.us/gdc/Projects/projects.html>.

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## DEPT. OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION

### DIVISION OF WATER

401 Certification Program

Non-Point Source Water Pollution Control Program

### NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR STATE WATER QUALITY CERTIFICATION

Any applicant for a federal license or permit to conduct an activity that might result in a discharge into navigable waters, in accordance with Section 401 of the Clean Water Act of 1977 (PL95-217), also must apply for and obtain certification from the Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation that the discharge will comply with the Clean Water Act, the Alaska Water Quality Standards, and other applicable State laws. By agreement between the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and the Department of Environmental Conservation, application for a Department of the Army permit to discharge dredged or fill material into navigable waters under Section 404 of the Clean Water Act also may serve as application for State Water Quality Certification.

Notice is hereby given that the application for a Department of the Army Permit described in the Corps of Engineers' Public Notice No POA-1999-1368-M, Tongass Narrows serves as application for State Water Quality Certification from the Department of Environmental Conservation.

After reviewing the application, the Department may certify that there is reasonable assurance that the activity, and any discharge that might result, will comply with the Clean Water Act, the Alaska Water Quality Standards, and other applicable State laws. The Department also may deny or waive certification.

Any person desiring to comment on the project with respect to Water Quality Certification may submit written comments within 30 days of the date of the Corps of Engineer's Public Notice to:

Department of Environmental Conservation  
WQM/401 Certification  
410 Willoughby Avenue  
Juneau, Alaska 99801-1795  
Telephone: (907) 465-5321  
FAX: (907) 465-5274